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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 6738**

**BILL NUMBER:** HB 1315

**NOTE PREPARED:** Feb 19, 2009

**BILL AMENDED:**

**SUBJECT:** Funding for Food Banks.

**FIRST AUTHOR:** Rep. Kersey

**FIRST SPONSOR:**

**BILL STATUS:** CR Adopted - 1<sup>st</sup> House

**FUNDS AFFECTED:** X GENERAL  
X DEDICATED  
FEDERAL

**IMPACT:** State

**Summary of Legislation:** This bill creates the Food Bank Account within the General Fund to provide funding for food banks. It requires the fund to be administered by the Budget Agency. The bill also appropriates \$4,000,000 to the food account for the biennium ending June 30, 2011.

**Effective Date:** July 1, 2009.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:** *Appropriation:* This bill appropriates \$2 M for FY 2010 and \$2 M for FY 2011 from the state General Fund to the Food Bank Account for distributions to Feeding America for distribution to food banks in Indiana.

*State Budget Agency (SBA):* This bill creates the Food Bank Account and specifies that the SBA will administer the account and distribute money from the account to Feeding America. The SBA's current level of resources should be sufficient to implement this provision.

*Food Bank Account:* This bill establishes the Food Bank Account as an account within the General Fund. The Food Bank Account will contain appropriations, gifts and bequests, and grants. Money in the account will not revert to the General Fund at the end of a state fiscal year.

**Background Information** - Feeding America, formerly called America's Second Harvest, is a nonprofit organization that provides food assistance through more than 200 food banks in all 50 states. There are 12 Feeding America food banks that serve Indiana, and they distribute more than 76 million pounds of food annually.

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:**

**Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:** SBA.

**Local Agencies Affected:**

**Information Sources:** <http://feedingamerica.org/>.

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